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TO : Chief, IO
Attn: [redacted]

DATE: 26 May 1958

FROM : Chief, Munich Base

INFO: Chief, EE
COS, Germany

SUBJECT: GENERAL— DTDORIC/QKACTIVE/Operations

SPECIFIC— Transmittal of Memorandum by [redacted] on His Reporting Responsibilities.

REFERENCE: A. EGMW 5994 - 15 April 1958
B. EGMW 6092 - 3 May

1. We are transmitting herewith a Memorandum prepared by [redacted] on the subject of his reporting responsibilities at PBCHORD.

2. [redacted] discusses a meeting which he held on this subject with [redacted] He also gives further views of his own on the reporting potential of PBCHORD.

[redacted]

Approved [redacted]

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ATTACHMENT — TO EGMA 34572

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SUBJECT: 1. Meeting of [redacted] 6 May 1958
2. [redacted] Views on Reporting Potential

REF: Memoranda on [redacted] Reporting Responsibilities dated 2 May 1958 and 20 May 1958 (EGMW 5994 - 15 April; EGMW 6092 - 3 May)

1. The memorandum of 2 May (EGMW 5994) was discussed point by point in a meeting of [redacted] on 6 May 1958. Some of the conclusions and discussion will require further elaboration when [redacted] returns from home leave in late May. The following decisions were reached:

a. [redacted] will not concern himself in any way whatsoever with the 5-Y activity. He will not refer to this activity in correspondence and he will not discuss it with anyone inside or outside QKACTIVE.

b. A full day's monitoring take (as transcribed) together with monitoring schedule and [redacted] comments, was forwarded to HQ in EGMA 34477. [redacted] will concern himself with monitoring only on the basis of HQ directives.

c. Contact between the News and Audience Research Departments is considered adequate for coverage of East-West contacts. Closer contacts will be arranged if necessary. The News correspondents are very familiar with Audience Research requirements.

d. A system of personal meetings outside of PBCHORD premises for passing HQ requirements has been worked out between [redacted] and [redacted]. The normal working arrangement will continue to be utilization of the MB [redacted] chain for passing requirements and other materials. Source identities and requirements have already been passed via this route.

e. As soon as [redacted] returns arrangements will be made whereby [redacted] will be concerned principally with audience research.

f. [redacted] concurs that, insofar as BGCALLUS is concerned, there is, at present, no urgent or time consuming reporting activity for him.

g. As soon as [redacted] returns, [redacted] will investigate more thoroughly the information potential in [redacted] shop.

h. [redacted] memo via [redacted] on a publications expert in BGCALLUS was written in answer to a request from [redacted] to the StratDiv facility in Frankfurt.

2. [redacted] agrees that the Audience Research Department is the best place to cover East-West contacts and believes that these contacts

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offer his only potential for covert information collection in the project. However, the overwhelming information value of the project lies in daily receipt of a vast amount of monitoring and periodical material available in many cases long before receipt at Headquarters. In addition, of course, the project has the ability to translate when necessary and provide this essentially overt information via telex and phone, hours or days before it is available at Headquarters through other channels. The value of such service to KUCHAP components, for example, is obvious. However, the thorough exploitation of these overt assets is a job which would require a small staff of Soviet experts, linquistically fluent and able to process a vast amount of overt material daily with Headquarters' requirements in mind. If, as [ ] and numerous KUMONK personnel who have visited the project think, PBCHORD actually has the single best potential source of current Soviet information, then it would seem that a good deal of it is at best being delayed at present. A possible solution would be the establishment of a service outside PBCHORD in Munich which would have the sole function of exploiting this information on a daily basis. At present, BGCALLUS has the research facilities required for such a job, but for various reasons could not handle this task. An independent local facility, composed of REDWOOD or StratDiv representatives, would appear to be the best solution.

3. In view of the above, it appears that [ ] covert function should be limited to handling requirements passed from MB, reporting sources which are omitted from regular PBCHORD reports (particularly audience research reports), briefing PBCHORD interviewers on requirements, reporting other information which cannot be passed by regular overt channels, keeping Headquarters informed of the information potential of PBCHORD activities, and such other tasks as Headquarters shall direct. The result should be somehwat less time consuming than [ ] first imagined and thus should leave more time for overt duties. As indicated in previous dispatches and in para 2 (above), the greatest potential is in the daily overt activity of information gathering carried on by various offices in PBCHORD. This is being processed regularly and any attempt to make it valuable to Headquarters in terms of speed is a full time job for several people, as indicated above. It therefore does not appear practical to require special attention by [ ]

4. The necessary changes in [ ] physical location, allocation of time, and access to information will be effected when [ ] returns.

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